THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) and (b) Receipt of proposals from State Government for opening of District Disability Rehabilitation Centres (DDRCs) is a continuous process and based on the proposals received from State Governments including Madhya Pradesh 50 DDRCs were sanctioned for the year 2006-07. These included 5 DDRCs in Madhya Pradesh, which are in the district of (i) Chhindwara, (ii) Sehore, (ii) Guna, (iv) Shivpuri, and (v) Vidisha.

(c) and (d) It is not possible to indicate a time-frame.

Bifurcation of national institutes for disabled

4241. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to bifurcate the NIMH, NIOH, NIHH and NIVH and other national institutes;

(b) the basis of the proposals to bifurcate the four main national institutes;

(c) the benefits of such an exercise;

(d) the location of new headquarters of the new entities; and

(e) the date of such division of each national institutes respectively?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Eradication of manual scavenging

†4242. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether it is a fact that at present more than three lakh persons carry night soil in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that in some States the practice of carrying night soil has been completely eradicated;

(d) if so, the details of such States and the position in other States;

(e) the details of efforts being made by Government to completely eradicate the practice of carrying night soil from the country; and

(f) when this practice is likely to be completely eradicated from the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (f) As per Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993, continuance and construction of dry latrines and employment of manual scavengers is prohibited. However, as per reports received from State Governments/UT Administrations, there are 3.42 lakh erstwhile manual scavengers and their dependents who are yet to be rehabilitated into alternative occupations. The State-wise details are given in State (*See* below).

Separately, Integrated Low Cost Sanitation Schemes is being implemented for conversion of dry latrines into water flush latrines by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has launched a new Self Employment Schemes for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers for rehabilitation of erstwhile manual scavengers and their dependents in alternative occupations, which has provisions for credit at concessional rates and capacity building for enhancing employability, enhancing self employment potential.

Statement

State/Union Territory-wise number of manual scavengers and their dependents, identified for rehabilitation

Sl. No.	Name the State/UT	Number of manual Scavengers and their Dependents to be rehabilitated
1	2	3
1	Assam	38819
2	Bihar	11941
3	Delhi	14479
4	Gujarat	52542
5	Haryana	20804
6	Himachal Pradesh	2734
7	Jammu & Kashmir	3939
8	Karnataka	1958
9	Kerala	1198
10	Madhya Pradesh	3795
11	Maharashtra	45699
12	Meghalaya	607
13	Nagaland	1800
14	Orissa	24368
15	Pondicherry	347
16	Rajasthan	43567
17	Tamil Nadu	11874
18	Uttar Pradesh	33256
19	West Bengal	21514
20	Jharkhand	5750
21	Uttaranchal	1477
	TOTAL:	342468